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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 3RD, 1906.

ARE good Bridge-players good for anything else? That is the question which, with various answers, was echoed from Great Britain by a recent mail delivery. Put in a less blunt phraseology, "Does aptitude for card-playing denote general intelligence?" the question is said by Mr. Basil Tozer in *The Monthly Review* (London: JOHN MURRAY) to have evoked "a controversy almost as fierce as if some vital point to do with politics or religion had been broached." It prompted him to write to a number of prominent people, asking for their opinions on the matter. Mr. F. G. ARNALD, editor of the *Encyclopædia of Sport*, very fairly admitted that he had given up card playing "before the modern cult of Bridge fell heavily on the land," and that it was therefore easy "to condemn a weakness which one is free of." But if his opinion were really wanted, it was that good card players were not necessarily of more than average intelligence. Many clever people had been known for their devotion to cards; but most certainly cleverness at Bridge was not a symptom of cleverness in other matters. His experience of Society had endowed him with the impression that the young woman addicted to Bridge was

There were many others, politicians, and so on, who answered, but objected to the publication of their names. One gentleman wrote, "In my opinion a man who cannot play Bridge or Poker must be next door to a fool," to which Mr. Tozer makes the delightful retort, "It is gratifying to know that he is not a neighbour." There were quite as many who replied that want of aptitude at cards denotes lack of intelligence generally. Dr. MACNAMARA, M.P., considers that to be a good Bridge-player denotes merely a specially retentive memory, and the faculty of such close attention as excludes every other thought for the time being. He thinks that these two qualities may be present in an individual who does not deserve to be regarded as "generally intelligent." It is rather curious that such an authority should overlook the general, or rather universal, importance of the second quality named. That kind of exclusive attention, which is as rare at the card-table as it is at the desk, and which was suggested by MAX NORDAU as the major symptom of absolute sanity, is the "capacity for taking pains" which amounts to genius; and ensures success in almost any undertaking the fortunate possessor may essay. It is probably not enjoyed in completion by more than three per cent. of the human race. In Buddhism it is the ideal aimed at by those who would attain Nirvana; and in business it should be the policy of all who hope to make their mark. Mr. J. H. YOKALL, M.P., is inclined to think there must be "a special faculty for games," which to any cerebriologist must sound nonsensical. He also credits the clever Bridge-player with the mental qualities of an able General, or military strategist. Which again is nonsense. On the whole, we esteem most the opinion of an anonymous "professor," who believes that anyone with the normal complement of brains can become a good Bridge-player; and that

"The reason so many men and women of intelligence play cards so badly is that card-playing doesn't interest them" sufficiently to "bring themselves to concentrate their attention upon a game of cards for any length of time, if for any time at all."

It is so with everything else, we imagine. No man devotes hard study to billiards, unless he hopes to become a professional "crack," or has nothing else in which to invest himself. It is, in short, like Bridge, "not worth while." Where the heart is, there will the mind be also; and the most eminent authority on Bridge, numismatics, or philately, might just as easily have become a professor of biology, a specialist in science, or anything else. Ordinary ability plus extraordinary application equals more than is generally realised in any field of endeavour.

The fifth plague case for the year was recorded yesterday.

Military men are all to set their watches by the noon gun to-day (Saturday).

There is a report that the Japanese Government proposes to take over all the railways in Japan.

The chief engineer of the Panama Canal has officially reported that Chinese labour alone is of use effectually there.

The Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club are now busy rehearsing "Princess Toto," one of Gilbert's comic operas, which they intend producing on February 15th, at the Theatre Royal, the performances to run for a week.

It is reported that the Waitapu has ordered the Shanghai Tao-tai to pay the £10,000 claimed by the foreign residents of Shanghai for damage done to foreign property during the recent riot.

The Ball that was to have been held in honour of Prince Arthur's visit has been abandoned, as the Royal House is in mourning for the late King of Denmark. The official announcement appears in our advertisement columns.

Reuter's telegram about the alleged proposal to sell the Philippines to Japan was at once officially described as "antrous and absurd." It did not originate in America. The denial was necessary because the Philippines were greatly disturbed by the rumour.

Volunteer Orders announce that H.E. the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by Captain G. J. B. Sayer of his commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, and has permitted him while in the Colony to wear his uniform. Gunner J. Mills and Sapper W. M. Eversall have been permitted to resign on leaving the Colony.

The Hongkong Civil Service List for 1906 has been received from the Colonial Office. This is the second issue only of a work which will in time be regarded as indispensable, and give rise to wonders how it could so long be done without. It is published with the imprimatur of H.E. the Governor. We hope to discuss its contents at greater length in a subsequent issue.

It was stated that a wealthy Chinaman had yesterday absconded from Hongkong, but no confirmation of the report could be obtained at the Police Office.

A German is said to have requested permission to work the petroleum at Yü-mun loen in Kansuh in conjunction with Chinese, as there is abundance of oil but the natives do not know how to work it and fit it for the market.

Chang Chih-tung's suggestion that a national exhibition should be held to show the products of each province, has been approved by the Board of Commerce, and instructions have been sent to each province to send in returns of the trade so that arrangements may be made.

The Kobe representative of Messrs. Duntz and Co. has obtained from the Japanese Government the superficies for a thousand years of a lot of ground in Nagoya. This is the first instance in which a foreigner has acquired a superficies in the interior, says the *Boyski*.

A London telegram to the Indian papers on January 15th says Dr. Klein claims to have discovered a plague prophylactic. It is a powder and he claims that in this form it is more reliable than Hoffman's fluid. It is also quickly preparable in large quantities and free of the contamination difficulty.

The following from a legal exchange is of importance and worth noting. During the hearing of a case at Colombo, the Judge held that the crossing of a cheque is invalid if the words "or bearer" remain. To ensure the validity of the crossing the words "or order" should be substituted for "or bearer."

The Tashi Lama is being accompanied on his return journey to Tibet by Lieutenant Bailey, 32nd Sikh Pioneers, who will act as British Trade Agent at Gyantse, during Captain O'Connor's absence on six months' leave. The Calcutta *Englishman* suggests that an attempt will now be made to get the Tashi Lama proclaimed Dalai Lama at Lhasa. China would be opposed to the arrangement, but it would work in well with British interests.

The Southern Viceroy has jointly memorialised for the river defence works to be paid more attention to as being of much greater importance than the coast defence. The latter is only to guard against foreigners, which cannot be done properly, but the former is to suppress piracy which interferes with public safety and trade, and should be efficiently dealt with. Orders have, therefore, been given for the fleet of river patrol boats to be reorganised and proper officials appointed.

The advance in the price of silver is causing anxiety in Washington among some of those interested in the Philippine situation, who fear that if silver should go much higher it might drive out of circulation the new Philippine pesos which were recently placed in circulation there in pursuance of a plan prepared largely for the purpose of putting an end to the speculations in the insular medium of exchange. The actual bullion value of the peso is now (November 9) in the neighbourhood of 40 cents, its face value being about 5 cents gold.

No. 4 of Vol. 4 of *East of Asia*, published at the North China Herald office, is of exceptional interest, the articles on "Chinese Human Nature," by W. A. Cornaby, "Bridges of Western China," by James Hutson, and "Studies in Chinese Dream Lore," by Franklin Ohliger, being by themselves worth the price charged. There are Japanese articles also, the most remarkable being C. Pfundner's account of the Fire Ordeal at Kobe, a religious mystery in which he is the only foreigner known to have taken part. As usual, the printing and illustrations are super-excellent.The American *Atlantic* of Dec. 18th says:—It is reported that there is a marked recurrence of the boycott in China. In Hongkong "delegates" appear at all points where American goods are stored, and the closest watch is maintained, and penalties of severe character are imposed on violators of the boycott. The bakeries having stocks of American flour are not permitted to use them, these "delegates" marking the stocks and reporting any "rule breaking." The penalty consists of large placards, placed in front of the offending establishment, intended to announce the offence and threaten all who deal with the offender. There are similar tactics at Canton. In fact, the boycott is to be regarded as serious in a full sense at certain points. Americans may well regard this as a warning. Unless complete action is very shortly taken to nullify the animosity rapidly breeding in China the boycott will be beyond control and extend to every article in every quarter.The Allahabad *Pioneer*, discussing the recent outbreak in Shanghai, coupled with certain ominous signs elsewhere of anti-foreign feeling in China, says it will probably prevent a reduction being made in the Indian garrison at Hongkong and in the Chihli Province. It will be only a wise precaution to have troops at hand which can furnish detachments for the treaty ports in case of any general rising, for since the reduction of the British naval strength in Far Eastern waters the supply of sailors and marines for emergent duty of that kind is limited. A watchful eye will also be kept on Peking where the Legation guards are not too strong, although they now occupy a position that can be defended against great odds. The Indian Regiments seem destined to remain in North China for an indefinite period, but at any rate they are not being kept away without purpose. Their presence in Tientsin, at least, has a wholesome effect on local Chinese fanaticism.

A Northern paper says:—"This sale of rank and purchasing the way to power is at the bottom of half China's troubles, and even though in this instance it may be only the empty title and not the post itself which is sold, the effect on both officials and people is most pernicious, and is in every way reprehensible." Then what must be said of cases like Baron Harnsworth's?

We are informed that the voting on the motion proposed by the Hon. Mr. Gresham Stewart at the meeting of the Land Investment Company was two for and eight against; not two for and one against, as stated in our report yesterday. In addition to the one shareholder referred to the seven directors voted against the motion. We take this opportunity to inform inquirers that the full revised report will appear in our weekly edition which will be on sale on Tuesday morning next.

Practically the first intimation to the public of the part they are expected to play in the reception to be accorded H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught was made yesterday, when a card was delivered to householders, stating that "the Reception Committee invite your co-operation in carrying out the general scheme of illuminations on the night of Saturday, the 10th February. In the case of buildings occupied by more than one firm or individual they suggest that the parties should combine and arrange for joint action."

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Bittencourt "Espagnol," Desormes
Soleil from "Flowerland," Stuart
Cake Walk "Cotton Blossoms," Thal
Dinner—Hors d'œuvres—Macaroni, Fish and Olive Croquettes, Soup—Ternato, Fish—Boiled Fish and Oyster Sauce, Entrees—Pigeon Parle and Mushrooms, Lamb Cutlets (Italian Style), Sweetbread, Potatoes, Curry—Sepah, Joint—Roast Australian Beef and Horseradish, Roast Capon and Celery Sauce, Boiled Ox Tongue and Caper Sauce, Cold Game Pie and Plain Salad, Sweet—Bread and Butter Pudding, Chocolate Ice Cream and Finger Cakes, Coconut Tart, Piny Cake, Dessert—Coffee—Fruits.

LOCAL SPORT.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. "A" v. CIVIL SERVICE.
The following will represent the H.K.C.C. "A" in their League match v. Civil Service this afternoon on the H.K.C.C. ground, at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—R. A. B. Ponsbury (Capt.), R. C. Butler, A. S. Coblen, E. A. Fowler, T. C. Gray, W. J. Daniel, Dr. F. H. Kaw, A. B. Love, P. Jacks, W. Peake and C. B. Pigott. The Civil Service team will be:—H. T. Jackson, (Capt.), F. Hiden, G. A. Woodcock, E. B. Reed, R. W. Welch, A. R. F. Raven, P. T. Lumble, D. H. Kelly, L. E. Brett, D. L. Weaver, and Sharnan, Umpire, Mr. W. H. W. Doolley.CRAIGENPOWER v. ARMY STAFF.
This match will be played to-day (Saturday) on the Craigenpower Ground, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The following will represent C. C. Club:—L. E. Lammert (Capt.), M. E. Asger, R. Bassa, R. Pistorji, E. S. Ford, J. D. Kinnaird, R. B. Cooper, L. A. Rose, E. Irving, J. W. Stewart and J. Fairholm.

LEAGUE TABLE.

CLUBS.	PLAYED.	WON.	LOST.	DRAWN.	POINTS.
R. G. A.	9	6	1	2	20
Craigenpower	12	6	4	2	20
Army Staff	9	5	4	0	15
Civil Service	9	4	3	2	14
H.K.C.C. "A"	11	4	6	1	13
H'kong Police	10	4	4	2	14
Kowloon	5	4	1	0	12
R. E.	11	0	10	1	1

3 points = a win.
1 point = a draw.

PARSEES v. N.M. NAVAL YARD.

The following will play for the Parsees against H.M. Naval Yard team at Happy Valley to-day at 2.30 p.m., on the Parsee Ground:—F. C. Kanga (captain), J. J. Vasunia, B. A. Tarsapore, P. Bejorji, J. A. Chinoy, S. B. Battilwar, J. N. Mehta, Dr. N. F. Nalladarn, Dr. K. Jamshedji, C. B. Mowdiala and Dr. R. Captain. D. K. Mehta, umpire.

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG CHALLENGER SHIELD, FIRST ROUND.

2ND ROYAL WEST KENT REG'T. v. H.M.S.

"TAMAR."

This match will be played on the Military Ground, Happy Valley, to-day (Saturday) the 3rd instant. Kick off at 4 p.m.

The undermentioned will represent the 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment:—L. C. Watling; Pte. Adam and Pte. Thompson; Pte. Edwards, Pte. Morris and Pte. Falshaw; L. C. Trevena, Pte. Falkner, Pte. Ogle, B. S. Moss and Pte. Clements. Referee, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar. Linesmen, Cpl. Sarney and A. T. Amarnani.

RUGBY.

The Hongkong Football Club and the United Services played a Rugby match yesterday afternoon at the Happy Valley in presence of a large number of spectators. The Services proved the stronger of the two, and the dashing play of their forwards, together with clever passing, enabled them to get round their opponents' defence, with the result that they scored 16 points in all—two goals and two tries—to nil.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

PRINCE ARTHUR'S VISIT.

FESTIVITIES SUSPENDED.

SINGAPORE, February 2nd.

Prince Arthur of Connaught has cabled from Penang to Singapore to suspend festivities, owing to the death of King Christian of Denmark, pending instructions from home.

Singapore is ablaze with decorations. The Prince arrives to-morrow morning, 3rd inst.

TROUBLES AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

SHANGHAI, February 2nd.

A telegram from Vladivostock today reports that the troops are so mutinous that another outbreak is imminent.

Telegraphic interruption is probable. The ice is unusually thick and interferes with the movements of steamers.

[REVIEWER'S SERVICE.]

DENMARK.

LONDON, January 31st.

The British Court will go into mourning for six weeks.

The Kings of Greece, Norway and Sweden, will attend the funeral.

Prince Frederick has been proclaimed King of Denmark; the occasion was marked by an amnesty to prisoners.

THE ELECTIONS.

LONDON, January 31st.

The *Times* and *Morning Post* publish tables showing that the complexion of the Opposition is mainly Chamberlainite.

THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.

LONDON, January 31st.

The German delegates at Algiers maintain a sphinx-like attitude, and refuse to be drawn into any discussion as to the intentions of their policy. This, in conjunction with the dilatory proceedings of the Spanish Government, offers a poor prospect of an early settlement.

HONGKONG Y.M.C.A.

The annual meeting of the European Department of the Hongkong Young Men's Christian Association was held last night in the Association Rooms, Alexandra Buildings. The report of the retiring committee of management was accepted. It showed that the affairs of the Association were in a satisfactory condition and that the various activities, social, religious, athletic and educational were progressing. During the year 105 new members were received and 99 members had resigned or left the Colony. The present membership is 161. The report also stated that a much larger number of members were making use of the rooms than formerly, and that the lectures, library, reading and games rooms were becoming more attractive to numbers of young men. The religious work was becoming strengthened and its influence was more widely felt. Football, tennis, walking, and during the summer bathing, afforded healthful exercises. The financial condition of the Association was encouraging. There was a debit balance of about \$600, but this was more than covered.

The following gentlemen were elected as a Committee of Management for 1906:—Messrs. P. H. Holyoak, H. Harthouss, G. P. P. C. S. N. Williams, J. Dyer Ball, G. E. Woodward, E. E. Cocks, G. Searle, N. Wilson, P. L. Brown, E. C. Lewis, W. E. Craig, and H. Sykes.

SUIT TO DISSOLVE A HONGKONG MARRIAGE.

Mr. Yamashita, barrister, on behalf of Mr. G. W. Ehrig, a German subject, residing at Kobe, has, says the *Japan Chronicle*, filed a petition for divorce in the Kobe Chihio Sabansho.
The ground of the claim is thus given:—The plaintiff has resided several years in Kobe. On September 22nd, 1904, the plaintiff lawfully married with the defendant in Hongkong, and ever since the couple had resided together in the same house in Kobe. On September 23rd, last year a daughter was born to them. In May last, a man named I. Rippel, said to be the defendant's uncle, arrived in Kobe from his native country, and he lived in the house of the plaintiff. The man entered into illicit relations with the defendant, the wife of the plaintiff, and his wife deserted him in November last.
Another petition has been filed by plaintiff for the recovery of his daughter.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
On the 2nd at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has fallen rapidly in E. Japan and risen considerably over China.
The depression is moving Eastwards off the S.E. coast of Japan. Pressure is highest over N. China.
Strong monsoon is indicated in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; fair.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, February 2nd.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

Before Mr. A. G. WISE (Puisne Judge).

MISTRESS AND COOK.

Mak Alai, a cook, sued Della Huard for \$12, being a month's wages.

His Lordship—Do you admit owing him the money?

Defendant—Yes; he left without giving notice and took some of my cooking utensils away.

His Lordship—Well, I think you had better not admit the debt then. He had no right to leave you without giving notice. We had better hear him.

Plaintiff was then sworn.

His Lordship—You are cook to defendant?—

Yes, sir.

When did you go there?—I joined on January 12th, last.

Quite sure?—Yes.

You say the 19th here on the writ. How much a month?—\$12 a month.

When did you leave?—I left on January 12th because she assaulted me.

His Lordship—Oh!

Plaintiff—Her husband assaulted me with a knife.

Why didn't you take the man to the Police Court?—I reported the matter to a Chinese constable who advised me to take out a summons.

Why didn't you?—I laid a complaint in the charge room. Then I was told to come down here and take out a summons in this court.

Have you any witnesses?—No; I am afraid to go to defendant's place.

His Lordship—You could always get a subpoena. (To defendant)—You had better get in the box.

What is your name?—Huard. It is not correctly spelt in the summons.

Are you a married woman?—No, sir.

He talked about your husband—No reply.

Defendant—This man came to me as cook on the 19th. He refused to do anything on the 26th, so I said to my boy, when he informed me that the cook would not work, "What do I pay him for?" The boy returned and said the cook still refused to do anything. Then I got up. He was at the door when I came out and demanded his wages. I went down into the kitchen, but as I found several things missing, I refused to pay him.

His Lordship—What about this story that he was assaulted?

Defendant—He was not assaulted.

His Lordship—Have you anybody here?

Defendant—The boy came with me, but I

A bailiff was then dispatched to look for the boy.

Defendant—He was not assaulted. I have always paid my servants.

His Lordship—It will save time if you go out there and look for your boy.

On her return.

His Lordship asked—Can you see him out there?

Defendant—I can't see him anywhere. He had taken me up to the other court by mistake.

His Lordship—Tell plaintiff he has not proved his case. It is only one person's word against another. Judgment will be for defendant.

R.A.O.B. AND K.G.H. DANCE.

The members of the Royal Ancient Order of Buffaloes and Knights of the Golden Horn Clubs held their annual regalia dance at the E.G.A. theatre, Victoria Barracks, last night. The theatre was tastefully decorated, and comfortably filled. Dancing started at 8.30 p.m. and was continued until the early hours of this morning. The wants of the visitors were attended to by the various committees, those who composed them being as follows:—Invitation committee—Messrs. W. Goldenberg, W. H. Smith and A. Williams; ballroom committee—J. H. Oxberry, J. J. Blake and A. T. Walston; decoration committee—J. J. Blake, A. Williams and H. Bidley; bar committee—C. Bond, A. Lewis and J. H. Walling. Music was supplied by the E.G.A. orchestra.

RACING NEWS.

Yesterday's gallops at the Happy Valley were recorded as follows:—
Wakely, 4m, 29.
Fortune Rose and Bush Rose, 1m, 34, 1.07
2.5, 1.41 2.5, joined by Sonenoid 4m.
Pathan, 4m, 35, 1.06.
Pilot, 1st quarter 32; went round, last quarter 34.
Highland Star, 4m, 30 4.5.
Highland-man (blanket), 4m, 32.
Mikesh, 4m, 34 4.5, 1.03.
Coronet Rose, 1 1/2m, 33 4.5, 1.17, 1.54, 2.30
2.5, 3.03.
Baluchi, 4m, 37, 1.12 2.5.
Halcyon Days and Velocity, 4m, 30 4.5.
Grafton, 4m, 32.
Sunrise Rose, first 4m, 31 1/2, went round, last 4m, 30 1.5.
New Boy, 4m, steady, 41, 1.16, 1.48.
Droghda, 4m, 35.
Himalaya Rose and Common Rose, 4m, 30 2.5.
Gold King (in hood) 4m, 33, went round, last 4m, 30 4.5.
Triumph Rose, 4m, 31 3.5.
Diadem, 4m, 33 1.5.
Shimoseki and Malinita, 4m, 39 3.5.
Rising Sun, 4, 31 3.5.
Rabbit, 4m, 31 3.5.
Sundial, 4m, 32 3.5.
Beancake, 4m, 32 1.5, 1.03 2.5.
Zapote, 4m, 33 2.5.
Glorious Rose and Rambler Rose, 4m, 30 4.5; next round 30.
Spotted Rose, 4m, 31 3.5.

NOTICE.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

CONNAUGHT RECEPTION.

OWING TO THE DEATH OF THE KING OF DENMARK, the Reception Committee regret to announce that the BALL to be given by the COMMUNITY OF HONGKONG to H.R.H. PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT is CANCELLED.

W. ARMSTRONG,
Hon. Sec. Ball Committee,
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. [338]

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Apply to—
N. MODY & CO.,
54 & 56, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. [162]

**THEATRE ROYAL,
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"PRINCESS TOTO,"
A Comic Opera in Three Acts.

W. S. GILBERT,
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THURSDAY, ... 15th FEB. 1906.
FRIDAY, ... 16th " "
SATURDAY, ... 17th " "
MONDAY, ... 19th " "
TUESDAY, ... 20th " "
WEDNESDAY ... 21st " "

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M. S. NORTHOTE,
Business Manager,
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. [339]

POSTPONEMENT.

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND POOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"
Captain J. S. Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 4th inst., at 10 A.M. instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1906. [340]

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.**

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 5th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [18]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"NUBIA,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
SINGAPORE.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
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Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 8th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [1]

NOTICE.

WE have authorised Mr. ERNST ARNDT to sign our Firm PER PROCURATION.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [317]

INTIMATIONS

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE.

FROM this date, and during the Absence of Mr. G. L. TOMLIN from the Colony, Mr. C. PERMBERTON has been Appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

A. G. WOOD,
Chairman,
Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. [301]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE 1906 RACE MEETING will be held on MONDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, and Two Following Days, not on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd March, as previously arranged for. In all other respects the programme as issued will stand.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course,
Hongkong, 4th January, 1906. [147]

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that, on and after SATURDAY, the 3rd February, the turning on of water in the RIDGE MAIN DISTRICTS in the afternoon will be DISCONTINUED, and water will be turned on for about one hour only between the hours of 6 & 10 A.M.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [1332]

NOTICE.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD QUARTER OFFICE, Fletcher Street, until 12 o'clock Noon, on FRIDAY, 16th February, 1906, for the undermentioned SUPPLIES AND SERVICES, for the period of 12 Months from 1st April, 1906:—

1. Meat.
2. Hospital Supplies and Medical Comforts.
3. General Supplies and Provisions.
4. Oil, Wick, and Barren Supplies.
5. Coal, Coke, Wood and Charcoal.
6. Barrack Services and Scavenging.
7. Washing.
8. Transport Services (Supply of Launches, Junk, Coolies, &c.).
9. Forage.

Forms of Tender and any particulars can be obtained on application to this Office, personally or by letter, addressed to the OFFICER COMMANDING ARMY SERVICE CORPS, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

The Tenders must be properly filled up and signed, and dated, and no tender will be noticed unless delivered upon the proper form at the Head Quarter Office by 12 o'clock Noon on the above date, in a closed envelope marked "TENDER" on the outside.

The right to reject any or all Tenders is reserved.

Head Quarters Office,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [335]

LESSONS IN FRENCH.

NEW and easy method of learning French in a few months, mainly by conversation with a Frenchman. Terms very moderate.

Also Lessons in English by an English Lady.

Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 16th August, 1905. [2705]

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LTD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY OF PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers.

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J. W. KEW,
Manager,
Hotel Mansions, 3rd Floor,
Hongkong, 8th August, 1905. [2807]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.

Wm. PARLANE, Manager,
Hongkong, 16th November, 1901. [47]

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Wm. SCHMIDT & CO.,
Hongkong, 24th November, 1902. [2349]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTON'S, KOWLOON STORE, No. 38, Elgin Road and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905

PUBLIC COMPANY

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the OFFICES OF THE COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [319]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

**THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The REGISTER of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 5th January, to TUESDAY, the 6th February, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPEK,
Secretary to the
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.,
Agents for the
KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING CO., LD.,
Hongkong, 19th January, 1906. [250]

**HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road, Central, on SATURDAY, 10th FEBRUARY, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 3rd to 12th February, 1906, both days inclusive.

J. D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. [302]

**THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-NINTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, HOTEL MANSIONS, on THURSDAY, the 15th FEBRUARY, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of Directors and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 15th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1906. [230]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, at 12.30 P.M. on THURSDAY, 15th February, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to 15th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. [301]

**CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony, on FRIDAY, the 10th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the proposed special Resolutions. Should the said Resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 25th January, 1906.

By Order of the Board,
JAMES WHITTALL,
Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS:

(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—

130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders, at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2) That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders on the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905, shall be called for by or presented to the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

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**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [334]

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [333]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 3rd February, 1906, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, BEVELLED GLASS, OVERMANTLES, PERSIAN CARPET & RUGS, DRAWING ROOM SUITES, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE, PIANOS, COOKING STOVES, &c., &c., &c.

Terms:—As usual.

V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [336]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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AN EVENTFUL YEAR IN CHINA.

The Financial and Commercial Supplement of the Times, dated January 1st, has the following from a Shanghai correspondent:—

The transformation of China is in the air, and the history of the past year is one of change visible to the most casual observer. China has many times been beaten to her knees and summoned by the outside world to reconsider her attitude of lofty superiority. In 1842, in 1858 and 1860, in 1885, in 1895, and in 1900 she has yielded to armed force and has submitted to treaties imposed upon her, subject only to such modifications as could be secured by the skill of her diplomats. Time after time she has acknowledged her powerlessness to resist the military pressure brought to bear, but after each reverse the characteristic strength of the nation has brought recuperation and has shown a power of resilience which can only be likened to that of granite which, not yet valenced to indolence, it has been urged upon her by her friends—and in the 'fifties and sixties the whole world was her friend, if she would but have recognized it. She was warned that her system of government, common enough in Europe two centuries ago, could not endure in the friction of outside contact to-day, and she was urged to conform to ways adopted by the world at large within the past century, but which did not approve themselves to her own leaders. For seven years ago a Chinese statesman said, "You say we move too slowly; in 50 years you will complain that we are moving too fast." For many years this seemed the trivial utterance of unintelligent superiority. The lesson which Japan learned in the twinkling of an eye and which she proceeded to act upon within ten years of the imposition of the earliest treaties dictated to her by superior force, was taken to heart by China only to the extent of acknowledging her relations with foreign Powers and their subjects.

THE AWAKENING. The awakened people in 1895. The haughty were driven from their seats, and a Power, once despised and occupying the same position of subjection, showed what could be done by an Asiatic race which had adopted the methods and appliances of the West. The successive occupation of Kiaochow, Port Arthur, Weihaiwei, and Kwangchow Wai, and the rejected claims of Italy to Sanmen Bay quickened the movement and re-enforced the arguments of the Young China party which had come into being. When, however, the Emperor proceeded in a series of edicts to give effect to their plans, the serious thinkers of the Empire felt that this was going too fast and that a halt must be called to the attempt to recast in a few months the institutions of an empire which it had taken centuries to build up. Then came the Boxer year. A strongly nationalist movement, patriotic in its inspiration, outrageous and crude in its operation, swept the north and was restricted in its area only by the wisdom of the representatives of Old China, who saw that, whether it was or was not wise to expel the intruder, the method attempted was at least not the way to do it. Boxerism was crushed to earth, but the feeling which inspired it, the patriotism which declared that China *para da se*, the jealousy which aims at permitting no foreigner to share in the development of the country, have remained the most potent of all China's old days of provincial separatism. In 1895 and 1896 the Chinese people were an important adjunct to the military operation of the British and French against China; in 1895 the South was supremely indifferent to the humiliation of the North, where a mighty empire was prostrated in the dust; in 1905 the "boycott against American goods" swept over the country like a wave of flame.

BOYCOTT OF AMERICAN GOODS. This boycott, originated in Shanghai, whence no labourers go to the United States, and was as keenly prosecuted there as in Canton, the home of most of the actual emigrants; it spread thence to all parts of the Empire except Tientsin, where the Viceroy would have none of it. The initial steps were taken, as far as the world's financial resources, by the Chamber of Commerce, and not by the merchants' guilds, which, indeed, were based later on in protecting their members, the bankers and merchants, from the disastrous effects of the movement. This medieval country has learned, partially at least, to recognize the modern truth that all nations are one in matters of trade, and that what injures one cannot benefit another. The lesson was driven home by the fact that the Chinese merchants had contracted for many months ahead for the products of the American mills, and were forced to meet their obligations if their financial position was to be maintained, the result being that they and the banks supporting them found themselves loaded with stocks for which the consuming markets had been seriously restricted. For in the meantime the agitation had been taken up by the Young China party, the vernacular press, and the thousands of students who had passed through the schools of the various missions, English or American, and especially by those who had acquired by a residence of a year or two in Japan that superficial knowledge which is so dangerous. From them it spread to the people at large, always ready to be inflamed by what, for want of a better word, must be called an anti-foreign feeling. The commercial result of this extension of the boycott was a serious diminution in the actual consumption of American products, which, in important wholesale lots, went on piling up in the warehouses of Shanghai and constituting a heavy burden on the financial resources of the native banks. These banks, already overburdened with the task of financing the indemnity payments, are in troubled waters, and it is feared that the year-end settlement, imperatively demanded of Chinese trade, will be a bad one.

POSSIBILITY OF OTHER BOYCOTTS. It may be thought that a boycott against another nation need not attract the serious attention of the English readers of *The Times*. This was the first feeling of British and German merchants in China, but further reflection has brought other views, and it is now recognized that a weapon directed against one people for one cause may easily be directed against other peoples for other causes, however trivial. This is in itself a revolution. The passage of the Dogue was forced, and the way opened for trade by the canon of British warships; what weapon shall force a passage through a boycott? American and German followed peacefully on the sound of British guns; do the British and Germans hope that in the long run they will gain the trade from which the American is excluded?

EFFECTS OF THE WAR. The Russo-Japanese war has cost the two belligerents thousands of lives and millions of money. The *terrible* games, on whose doorstep the battle has been fought, has naturally also entailed loss in both respects, but not to the extent that might have been expected. The Chinese would make a profit out of death itself, and when others are battling they are certain to be themselves rejoicing in their own immunity. The war has been financed by both sides largely through China, both by bills on Chinese banks and by their own notes used for disbursements in the field of operations. Also

the credits established by bank bills and by yen and rouble notes collected from the seat of war have been available to finance the flow of foreign goods into the empire. Thus war has been made to nourish commerce, and exchange rates have been maintained at a level calculated to soothe the disturbed minds of importers, even of those who were subject to the boycott. Easy rates giving low silver cost have helped the importer, but the producer and the exporter have found the same cause working against them, and both classes are affected by the tightness of a market drained of silver to supply the needs of the North; even as far Tientsin this tightness has been felt, several banks having already suspended payment fully two months before the year-end settlement (Chinese New Year, January 25). At Tientsin, however, special causes were at work, the great Shanghai bankers, having only during the last spring re-opened their offices after the effective looting they suffered in 1900, and the prolonged stringency of the past four years.

EXCHANGE AND CURRENCY. The Chinese Government has had its usual luck in the matter of indemnity payments. It had insisted that the true reading of the protocol fixed the indemnity for the events of 1901 at a total of 450,000,000 taels, which was the sum arrived at by converting the several national claims at rates corresponding to 3s. in English money for the tael (the Customs tael, 11.4 per cent. more in value than the Shanghai tael). At the exchange ruling in 1901 2.3 China tael, at least, 15 per cent. by the requirement to pay at the rate of the day; in 1904 this loss, was much reduced, and during 1905, after admission of the liability to pay at current rates, it is doubtful if there has been any loss. This relief has, of course, removed from the minds of statesmen who live from day to day a potent argument for the stabilization of exchange, and they will have again to feel the pinch before they can once more be "boosted" in to a compliant attitude.

Allied to the question of exchange, and no less important, is that of currency reform, which has been provided for in each of the treaties negotiated since 1900. The Government has done something—in its own way, it has introduced a new token coin, displacing the time-honoured "cash"; no reserve fund has been established, however, and no measures adopted to maintain the value, and within 12 months this new coin has depreciated nearly 20 per cent. This spells danger. The year ends with ominous mutterings from all parts of the empire, and the situation will not be improved if, added to all other existing causes, the people feel the pinch of poverty in consequence of a depreciation in the value of their circulating medium.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report dated Hongkong, February 2nd:—There is nothing of any importance to report; business is still very dull, but rates generally are fairly well maintained. Exchange on London 2/0 1/2.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have declined to 83 1/2, at which rate shares are obtainable. Latest London quotation 2/6. (N. National still wanted at 83 1/2).

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SHIPPING.—There are sellers of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats at 82 1/2. Indos have declined and are firm at 82 1/2. China and Manilla have been dealt in at 82 1/2; no change to report in other stocks under this heading.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars. Sales have been made at 207 1/2 and 203 for cash, and at 213 1/2 for March, also at 216 for May and 218 for June; the market closes firmer with an incipient demand at 220 cash. Luzons are wanted at 25.

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COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong Cottons can be placed at 84 1/2; other rates unchanged. MACHINERY.—Green Islands are steady at 30. Hongkong Electric (old shares) have been placed at 113. Hongkong Ice are wanted at 24 1/2; other stocks under this heading call for no remarks.

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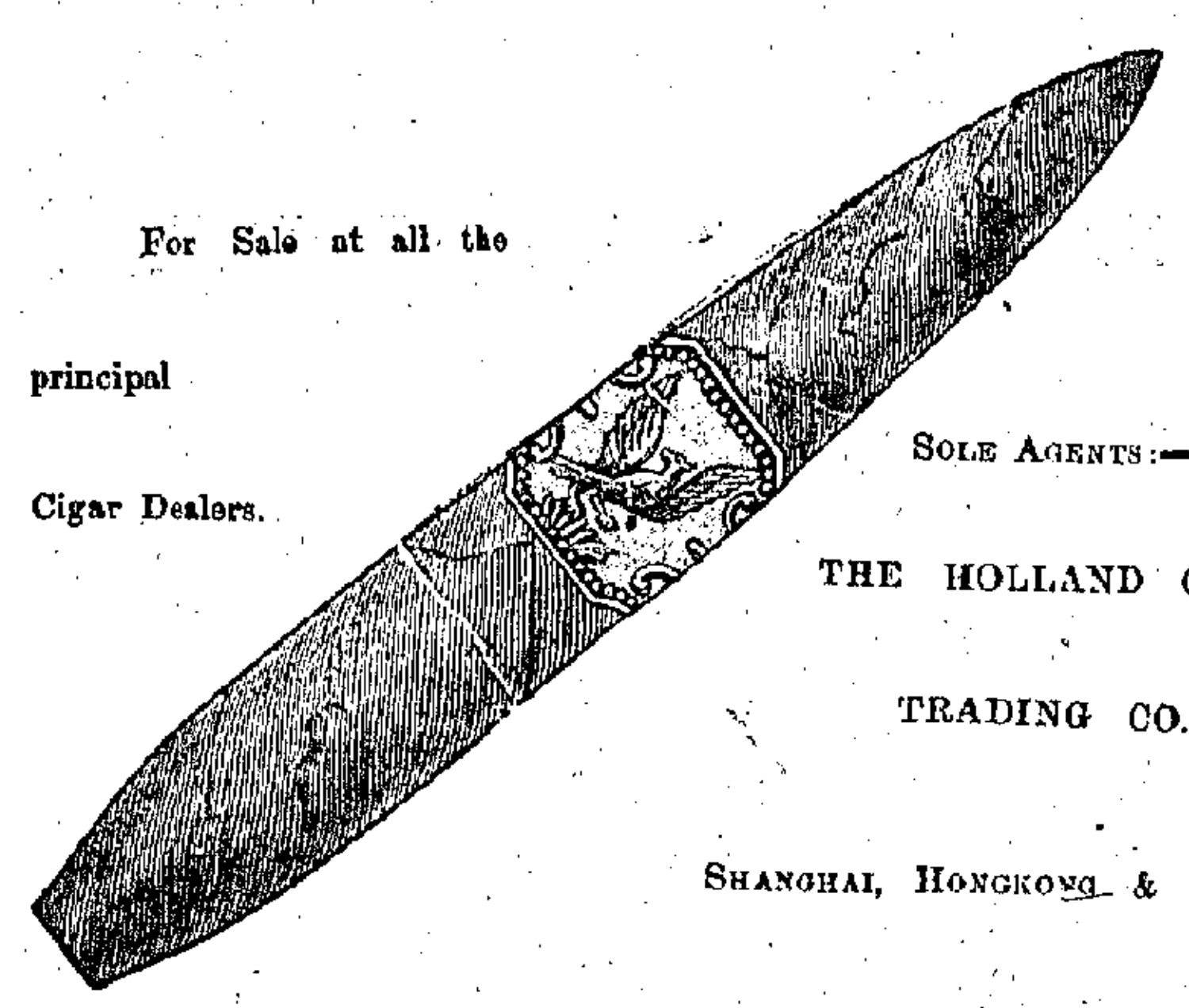
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 HAILAN, French str., 377, L. Andersen, 1st Feb.—Pakhoi and Hoihow 31st January, General.—A. R. Marly.
 MAITAN, British str., 1,185, J. S. Beach, 2nd Feb.—Coast Ports 30th Jan., General.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
 MELBANE, German str., 771, J. Jesson, 2nd Feb.—Swatow 1st Feb., General.—Jobson & Co.
 H.M.S. BONAVENTURE, British cruiser, 3,500, H. H. Torlesse, 1st Feb.—Shanghai 30th February.
 LAISANG, British str., 3,460, P. M. B. Lake, 2nd February, Calcutta 18th January, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 LOONGMOON, German steamer, 2nd February, from Canton.
 NUBIA, British str., 3,844, F. J. Fox, 1st Feb.—London 23rd Dec., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 QUINTA, German steamer, 2nd February, from Canton.
 TAMING, British str., 1,350, A. W. Outerbridge, 2nd February, Manila 30th Jan., General.—Butterfield & Swire.
 WINGANG, British steamer, 2nd February, from Canton.

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 MACHU, German str., for Bangkok.
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CANTON, Norwegian str., for Singapore, February 2nd.
 ANGIN, German str., for Swatow.
 BARALONG, British str., for Nagasaki.
 HONGKONG MARU, Jap. str., for San Francisco.
 KWANGTAN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
 OSCAR II, Norwegian str., for Surabaya.
 TUPAN, Dutch str., for Macassar.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Laisang* reports: Moderate monsoon and fine. On the 1st inst. spoke a.s. *Castor*, in lat. 19° 50' N., long. 115° 44' E.
 The British str. *Italian* reports: Fresh to Amoy moderate N.E. wind and fine. Amoy to Swatow light wind, fog and heavy rain. Swatow to Hongkong light wind and fine weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—February 2nd.
 KOWLOON DOCKS.—*Kaiserberg*, *Fritzhof*, *Empress of India*, *Wongkoi*, *Syfang*, *Jacob*, *Diederichsen*, *Kensington*, *Katherine Park*, *Nanshan*, *Sanchoang*, *M. Struve*, *Peng Fei*, *Elizabeth Richman*, *Quake*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Quake*, *Honam*.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR SHANGHAI.
 (Taking Cargo at through rates to Tientsin and Chemulpo).

THE Steamship.

"LOONGMOON,"
 Captain K. Kalkofen, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, the 3rd Feb., at 4 p.m.
 This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.
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NORDDUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
 ZAMBONGA, JOLO (SULU ISLAND), SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.
 Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TAWAU, LAHAD DATU, LABUAN, MENADO, SIMPORA, USUKAN AND JESSELTON.

THE Company's Steamship.

"BORNEO,"
 Captain F. Semblitt, will be ready to load on MONDAY, the 5th February.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 NORDDUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., Agents.
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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship.

"GREGORY APCAR,"
 Captain J. G. Olfert, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, 6th Feb., at 3 p.m.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents.
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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND NAPLES.

(If Sufficient Inducement Offers).

THE Steamship.

"RHENANIA,"
 Captain Föck, will be despatched for the above ports on or about the 10th February.
 The steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers and carries a duly qualified doctor and stewardess.
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.
 Hongkong, 13th January, 1906. 206

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rubatino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to Aden, Suez, Port Said, Messina, Naples, Leghorn and Genoa, also Venice and Trieste, all Mediterranean and South American Ports up to Callao.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to Persian Gulf and Bagdad, also Barcelona, Valencia, Alicante, Almeria and Malaga.)

THE Steamship.

"CAPRI,"
 Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 12th February, at Noon.
 At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.
 For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
 CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.
 Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. 14

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP	BENARY	Brit. str.	—	Sarohet	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 4th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	ARCADIA	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cook, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 10th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 14th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	GLENNSTRAE	Brit. str.	—	J. McGilivray	MCGILIVRAY, BEOS & GOW	About 22nd inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PATROULUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAINT BEDE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DOESKE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DEENKAI	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th April.
MARSEILLES & C. via PORTS OF CALL.	CALEDONIAN	Freestr.	—	Gregory	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 6th inst., at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, ANTWERP (DIRECT).	KOUANG SI	Freestr.	—	Barillon	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 12th inst.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL.	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	—	R. Meyer	MELCHERS & CO.	On 14th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Russ	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	Tomorrow.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Föck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	SPERZA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Ehlers	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, & C.	SILVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
ODDESSA DIRECT	WILHELM	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jäger	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	Quick despatch.
TRIESTE, & C. via SINGAPORE, & C.	ANTONIA	Ger. str.	1 m.	Colledani	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 5th Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	PELUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Mar.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	ST. GEORGE	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO.	About 15th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, & C.	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, & C.	TAKTAR	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	HYADES	Am. str.	—	J. Alvan	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 13th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	MINNESOTA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. H. Rinder	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 16th Mar.
SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN	ARABIA	Am. str.	—	Metzenhain	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	Early in Feb.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA SHANGHAI, & C.	SKINOL	Brit. str.	—	—	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	About end of Feb.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA ZAMBOANGA	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	Lenz	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	Dawell	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 3rd Mar., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	NUBIA	Brit. str.	—	F. J. Fox	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 2nd inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TANAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WILHELM	Ger. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 14th inst.
JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI	TILLATAP	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	WIDUSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	HOPKINS	Ger. str.	—	F. Kalkofen	SIEMSEN & CO.	To-day, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI	KOONSHING	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 5th inst., at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TOURANE	Freestr.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 6th inst., at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	DONOLA	Brit. str.	—	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 5th inst.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & POCHOW	ANGING MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. Girard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 9th inst.
TAMAU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Kobayashi	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	About 15th inst.
TAMAU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Tagami	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-morrow at 10 a.m.
AMPOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Ohta	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 11th inst., at 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & POCHOW	DECHINA	Ger. str.	—	Schickler	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 8th inst., at 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	PAKHOT	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Beach	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	To-morrow, at 10 a.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	R. Almond	SIEMSEN & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
MANILA	ZAPIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 6th inst.
CEBU & LOILO	KALFONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst., at Noon.
ZAMBOANGA, JOLO, SANDAKAN, & C.	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	F. Semblitt	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	J. G. Olfert	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	On 6th inst., at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 10th inst., at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, & C.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	—	Föck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 10th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG	CAPRI	Ital. str.	—	Belsito	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 12th inst., at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration).

R.M.S.	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"EMPEROR OF INDIA" 6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 7th Feb. ... 28th Feb.	
"TAKTAR" 4,425 " "	WEDNESDAY, 21st Feb. ... 17th Mar.	
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" 6,000 " "	WEDNESDAY, 7th Mar. ... 28th Mar.	
"EMPEROR OF CHINA" 6,000 " "	WEDNESDAY, 21st Mar. ... 18th April.	
"ATHENIAN" 3,882 " "	WEDNESDAY, 11th April ... 5th May.	

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, connecting at VANCOUVER with the Company's PACIFIC OVERLAND TRAINS, DAILY from the PACIFIC to the ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via St. Lawrence £80; via New York £62.

Intermediate on Steamers: " " £40, " " £42.

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R.M.S. "TAKTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" passengers only.

Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers booked through to all principal points across the GROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Ministers, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese or Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Corner Pender Street and Praya, opposite Blake Pier.

GREAT NORTHERN

STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR SEATTLE, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA (PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA OF JAPAN).

THE MAGNIFICENT NEW TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS,

"MINNESOTA" AND "DAKOTA"

(EACH TONS 20,718 GROSS REG.)

Will be despatched from HONGKONG as follows:

"MINNESOTA," Captain J. H. RINDER, About FRIDAY, 16th MARCH, 1906.

"DAKOTA," Captain E. FRANKIE, On TUESDAY, 24th APRIL, 1906.

Conveying Cargo to the Pacific Coast, United States, and Canadian Overland Common Points also Passengers to the United States, Europe, & C.

These Steamers are luxuriously fitted with spacious SUITES and STATEROOMS, equipped with CIRCULATING LIBRARY, MUSIC, SMOKING ROOMS, BARBER SHOP, NURSERY, STEAM LAUNDRY, & C.

Special provision is made for the safe transit of SILK, TREASURE, and Valuable Cargo, and PARCELS carried at low rates to all points of U.S.A. in connection with the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Express Companies.

Trans-Pacific Cabin Passengers by this line can, if desired, TRAVEL BY RAIL between the ports of Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE. Also FIRST-CLASS RETURN TICKETS to Shanghai and Japan Ports are available for return by the steamers of the REGULAR MAIL LINES.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1905. 120

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR

MANILA

SHANGHAI VIA NINGPO

SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW

SHANGHAI

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA

"LAISANG" Saturday, 10th Feb., 3 p.m.

"YUENSANG" Saturday, 3rd Feb., Noon.

"WINGSANG" Saturday, 3rd Feb., 3 p.m.

"HOPKINS" Sunday, 4th Feb., Daylight.

"HANGSANG" Monday, 5th Feb., 3 p.m.

"KONSHING" Tuesday, 6th Feb., 3 p.m.

"LAISANG" Saturday, 10th Feb., 3 p.m.

These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo and Yangtze Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS. 13

HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon midships. Electric Light Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESS carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA

STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

For Freight or Passage apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS. 15

Hongkong, 28th January, 1906.

HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

For freight and further information apply to SHEWAN TOMES & CO., GENERAL AGENTS. 19

Hongkong, 11th December, 1905.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SHANGHAI VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP

Tons. CAPTAIN To SAIL DAYLIGHT ON

"ARABIA" 4,483 Metzenhain Early in February, 1906.

"ARAGONIA" 5,198 Ernest March 11th, 1906.

"NICOMEDIA" 4,370 Wagemann March 23rd, 1906.

"NUMANIA" 4,370 Feldmann April 8th, 1906.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and to Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

S. SILVERSTONE, ACTING GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. 113

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

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Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LONDON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and Baltic Ports, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

STEAMSHIP COMPANY. LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PELEUS"	On 6th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"YANGTSE"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"BIOMED"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"AGAMEMNON"	On 6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TEENKAI"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MACHAON"	On 20th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"KREMONA"	On 27th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"KINTUCK"	On 3rd April.

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 13th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 27th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 6th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PELEUS"	On 13th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 27th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 6th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	On 13th May.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with
THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND
COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.	"YANGTSE"	On 24th February.
HAMA	"KEEMUN"	On 24th March.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA & all PACIFIC COAST	"PINGSUEY"	On 7th February.
	"QANFA"	On 1st March.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS. (9-10)

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 3rd February.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"PAKHOI"	On 4th February.
CEBU and LLOILO	"KAIPOING"	On 6th February.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 8th February.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"TSINAN"	On 8th February.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified
Surgeon is carried.Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
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Australian Ports.REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS. (11)

Hongkong, 30th January, 1906.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

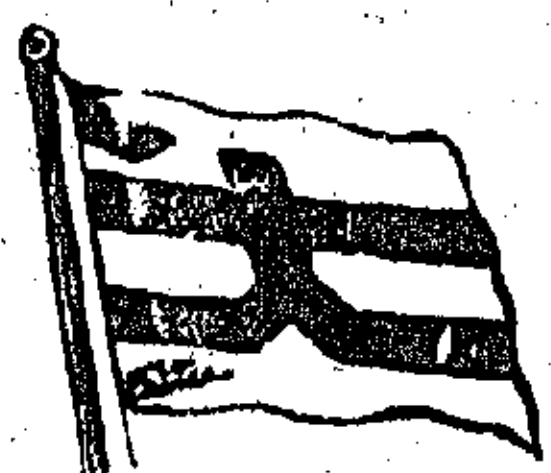
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI, NUBIA MOJI and KOBE	"F. J. Fox"	About 2nd February	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	"DONGOLA"	About 8th February	Freight and Passage.
LONDON &c., via Usual Ports OF CAL.	"ARCADIA"	Noon, 10th February	See Special Advertisement.

LONDON and ANTWERP
via SINGAPORE, PENANG, JAPAN
COLOMBO PORT SAID and
MARSEILLES

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent. (1)

Hongkong, 30th January, 1906.



OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* TAMSAI via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 4th Feb. at 10 A.M.
* TAMSAI via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 11th Feb. at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	About THURSDAY, 15th Feb.

ANPING via SWATOW
AND AMOYThese Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted
throughout with electric light.
Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office
at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1906.

T. ARIMA, Manager. (14)

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.
STEAMERS WILL ALSO CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON/LAND PASSENGERS
AND LOGGAGE.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH
AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
PREUSSEN	14th February
ZEITEN	28th February
PRINZESS ALICE	14th March
BAVERN	28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	25th April
SACHSEN	9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	23rd May
ROON	6th June

ON WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of FEBRUARY, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship
CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 13th February. Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 13th February, and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 13th February.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50,
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardsesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA and GIBRALTAR	\$21 0 0	\$12 0 0	\$22 0 0
return	91 0 0	63 0 0	33 0 0

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	36 0 0

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NEW YORK via SUEZ	115 0 0	79 0 0	47 0 0
return	123 0 0	83 0 0	49 0 0

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and
travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland the same rates to be applied as via NAPLES,
GENOA or GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's
expense.TOUR VIA INDIA:
Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co., from
SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo.
The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is, however, not included.INTERUPTION OF THE VOYAGE IN EGYPT:
Passengers to European and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean
Steamers from ALEXANDRIA, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer
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JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, FRIEDRICH-WILHELM-SHAFFEN,
SIMPSONHAFEN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
PRINZ SIGISMUND	TUESDAY, 6th Feb. at Noon.
WILLEHAD	TUESDAY, 6th March.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	TUESDAY, 3rd April.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at NOON, the Steamship "PRINZ SIGISMUND,"
Captain Leuz, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardsess.

Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MANILA	\$9	\$30	\$20
return	\$28	\$118	\$140

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NEW GUINEA	\$28	\$20	\$14
return	\$28	\$20	\$14

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO BRISBANE	\$28	\$20	\$14
return	\$28	\$20	\$14

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MELBOURNE	\$28	\$20	\$14
return	\$28	\$20	\$14

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO YOKOHAMA	\$8	\$30	\$20
return	\$28	\$118	\$140

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO KOBE	\$8	\$30	\$20
return	\$28	\$118	\$140

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO YOKOHAMA and back from KOBE to HONGKONG	\$140	\$100	\$60

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class
TO EUROPE via AUSTRALIA and COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer	\$27 0 0
TO EUROPE via AUSTRALIA and AMERICA	\$6 0 0

From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers, or via San
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1906.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA

via

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
HYADES	3,753	J. Alwen	On 13th February.
TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	On 20th February.

Cargo only.

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1906.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

The Steamship

"BENARTY"
Captain Sarchot, will be despatched as above on
or about the 4th February.For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1906. (25)

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

The Steamship

"GLENSTRAE"
Captain J. McGilivray, will be despatched as
above on or about THURSDAY, the 22nd Feb.For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. (307)

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to COLOMBO	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)	
ARCADIA	7000	BRITANNIA	7000	Mar. 10	Mar. 16
DELHI	8000	MOLDAVIA	10000	Mar. 24	Mar. 30
DONGOLA	8000	MONGOLIA	10000	April 7	April 13
DELTA	8000	MOOLTAN	10000	April 21	April 27
OCEANA	7000	MARMORA	10000	May 5	May 11
ARCADIA	7000	VICTORIA	7000	Sunday	Saturday
DEVANHA	8000	HIMALAYA	7000	May 20	May 26
DELHI	8000	INDIA	7000	June 3	June 9

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express
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of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transhipment) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS	Leave	Leave	Due at
	HONGKONG	SINGAPORE	LONDON
JAPAN	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
SUMATRA	Feb. 25	Mar. 3	Apr. 14
NUBIA	Mar. 14	Mar. 27	Apr. 28
JAVA	Mar. 25	Apr. 6	May 12
FORMOSA	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

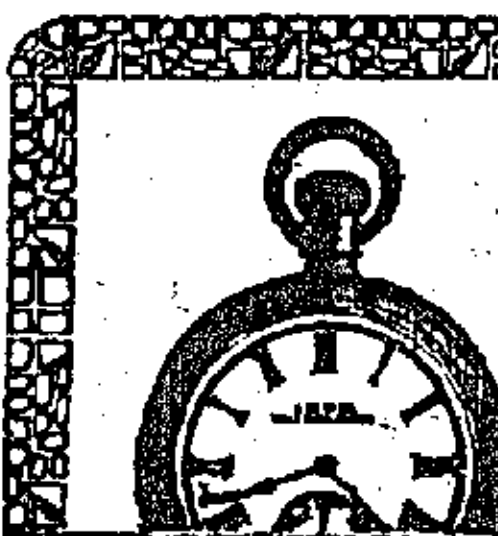
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Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.



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"KOUANG-SI"
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on or about the 12th February, 1906.This Steamer has accommodation for Pas-
sengers and carries a duly qualified Doctor.For Freight, Passage and further particulars,
apply toG. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent,
Queen's Building,
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. (296)REGULAR
STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1906.
"ST. GEORGE" 15th Feb.
"SHIMOSA" 1st Feb.
to follow.For Freight and further information, apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1906. 2105-2113

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. (3)HIS BRITANNIC MAJE STY'S SHIPS
IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.Albion, despatch-boat, 1,700 tons, 10 guns,
3,000 h.p., Com. R. M. Harbord, HongkongAndromeda, cruiser, 12,500 tons, 10 guns, 1,650
h.p., Capt. Nelson Ommann, HongkongArcturion, torpedo boat destroyer, 550 tons, 6 guns,
7,000 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. R. Henniker

Heaton, Hongkong

Astraea, 2nd class cruiser, 4,380 tons, 10 guns,
7,000 h.p., Captain Lionel G. Tulloch,
ShanghaiBonaventure, 2nd class cruiser, 4,380 tons, 10
guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. H

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Touren*, with the French mail of Jan. 5th, left Saigon on Friday, the 2nd inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 6th inst., at daylight. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 2nd December.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per S.S. *Wingchai* on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 3.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for CANTON, NAMTAN, SANBUE, KONGMOON, KUMOHUK, SAMSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 3 a.m. No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PRE	DATE
Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Taiwan	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Taiwan and Chefoo	Yuenan	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Rubi	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Macao	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Petchaburi	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Hongkong	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Wingchai	Saturday, 3rd, 1.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Sticelstad	Saturday, 3rd, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Longmoon	Saturday, 3rd, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Hopang	Saturday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Hailow, Tournay and Quinhon	Hailow	Saturday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Paikow	Saturday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Wongkai	Saturday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Michael Jensen	Saturday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Taiwan and Chefoo	Hailow	Saturday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Hailow and Pakhoi	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Calcutta	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Mei, Kobe and Yokohama	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Jolo, Zamboanga, Sandakan and Kudat	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Singapore, Sandakan and Kudat	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Hongkong, Matupi, Samarai, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Hailow	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.

EUROPE, &c. INDIA VIA TUDICORIN. (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.) Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

Shanghai, Singapore, Penang and Calcutta. (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.) Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOFU, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, VANCOUVER (B.C.). (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents.)

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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOFU, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents.)

TO-DAY. Sale, Household Furniture, &c., Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remington, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

ON LONDON	February 2nd
Telegraphic Transfer	2.04
Bank Bills, on demand	2.04
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2.04
Bank Bills, at 60 days sight	2.04
Credit, at 3 months sight	2.04
10 months sight	2.04
12 months sight	2.04
ON PARIS	
Bank Bills, on demand	2.54
Credit, at 3 months sight	2.54
ON GERMANY	
On demand	2.07
ON NEW YORK	
Bank Bills, on demand	4.91
Credit, 60 days sight	5.01
ON HAMBURG	
Telegraphic Transfer	1.50
Bank, on demand	1.50
ON CALCUTTA	
Telegraphic Transfer	1.50
Bank, on demand	1.50
ON SHANGHAI	
Bank, at sight	7.14
Private, 30 days sight	7.14
ON YOKOHAMA—On demand	9.91
ON MANILA—On demand	9.91
ON SINGAPORE—On demand	16.00 p.m.
ON BATAVIA—On demand	12.14
ON HAIPHONG—On demand	12.14 p.m.
ON SINGAPORE—On demand	12.14 p.m.
ON BANGKOK—On demand	6.14
ON SINGAPORE—Bank's Buying Rate	9.95
ON SINGAPORE—100 day, per ton	32.40
ON SINGAPORE—per oz.	30.4

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
The M.M. str. *Touren* left Saigon on the 2nd Feb., at 8 a.m. for this port.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. str. *Coptic* left Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila on the 31st Jan., and is expected to arrive here on or about 11th Feb.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
The C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong via usual ports of call on Thursday, the 25th Jan., p.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.
The Indo-China str. *Leucadia* left Calcutta for this port on the 18th Jan., and may be expected here to-day.

The E. & A. str. *Eastern*, from Sydney, &c., left Manila on the 1st Feb., a.m., and is due here to-day, at 4 p.m.

The A. & O. str. *Yaddo*, from New York, left Singapore on the 25th Jan. for this port, and is expected here to-morrow.

The I.G.M. str. *Prim Sigismund*, from Japan, is due here on or about Monday, at noon.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Telma* left Singapore on the 30th Jan., p.m., and is due here on the 5th Feb.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Pingwey*, from Pacific, left Moji on the 31st Jan., and is due here on the 5th Feb.

The C.N. str. *Tsienan*, from Australian ports, left Sydney on the 12th Jan., and may be expected here on or about 5th Feb.

The Glen Line str. *Glenlochan*, from London, &c., left Singapore on the 30th Jan., p.m., for this port.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, February 2nd.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100, sellers
Bank—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$905, sellers
National B. of China	25	\$39, buyers
A. Shares	125	\$34, sellers
China Bank	100	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	100	\$9, sellers
China Provident	100	\$84
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	100	\$14, buyers
International	100	\$14, buyers
Laun Kung Mow	100	\$14, buyers
Soychee	100	\$14, buyers
Dairy Farm	100	\$14, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farnham, B. & Co.	100	\$128
H. & K. Wharf & G.	100	\$105, sellers
H. & W. Dock	100	\$105, sales & sel.
New Amoy Dock	100	\$105, buyers
Shai & H. Wharf	100	\$105, buyers
Fenwick & Co. Geo.	100	\$105, buyers
G. Island Cement	100	\$105, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas	100	\$105, buyers
Hongkong Electric	100	\$105, buyers
Do. New	100	\$105, buyers
H. H. & W. Dock	100	\$105, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	100	\$105, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	100	\$105, buyers
H'kong S. Waterboat	100	\$105, buyers
Insurance—		
China Fire	100	\$105, buyers
China Traders	100	\$105, buyers
Hongkong Fire	100	\$105, buyers
North China	100	\$105, buyers
Union	100	\$105, buyers
Yangtze	100	\$105, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	100	\$105, buyers
Hampshire's Estate	100	\$105, buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	100	\$105, buyers
Westland Building	100	\$105, buyers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	100	\$105, buyers
Rauba	100	\$105, buyers
Philippine Co.	100	\$105, buyers
Rubber—		
China Rubber	100	\$105, buyers
Luzon Rubber	100	\$105, buyers
Steamship Companies—		
China & Manila	100	\$105, buyers
Douglas Steamship	100	\$105, buyers
H. Canton & M.	100	\$105, buyers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	100	\$105, buyers
Shell Transport Co.	100	\$105, buyers
Do. Preference	100	\$105, buyers
Star Ferry	100	\$105, buyers
Shanghai & S.	100	\$105, buyers
South China M. Post	100	\$105, buyers
Steam Laundry Co.	100	\$105, buyers
Do.	100	\$105, buyers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, M. & Co.	100	\$105, buyers
Powell & Co. Wm.	100	\$105, buyers
Watson & Co. A. S.	100	\$105, buyers
United Asbestos	100	\$105, buyers
Do. Founders	100	\$105, buyers

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

OPIUM.

Quotations are—	Allow'ce	Feb. 2nd.
Malwa New	1010	to
Malwa Old	1070	to
Malwa New	1010	to
Malwa Old	1070	to
Malwa New	1010	to
Malwa Old	1070	to
Malwa New	1010	to
Malwa Old	1070	to
Malwa New	1010	to
Malwa Old	1070	to

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

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General Agents for China and Japan

Hongkong, 4th August, 1898

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.
ANGHIN, German str., 1,001, D. Reimers, 23rd Jan.—Bangkok 15th Jan., Rangoon 15th Jan., and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.
ANNA, Norwegian str., 773, Olaf, 25th Jan.—Wuhu 18th Jan., Rangoon 15th Jan., and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.
ANPING, Chinese str., 1,500, Warwick, 29th Jan.—Shanghai 24th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.
ASAMA, British str., 2,706, Carr, 31st Jan.—Calcutta 14th Jan., General—Shewan, Watson & Co.
AVALA, British str., 2,333, W. H. Home, 31st Jan.—New York 3rd Nov., Kerosene—Standard Oil Co.
BARALONG, British str., 2,881, Arthur Leo 31st Jan.—Singapore 24th Jan., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
BOONKE, German str., 1,344, F. Seabill, 27th Jan.—Singapore 24th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.
BOURBON, Chinese str., 900, L. Bond, 27th Jan.—Saigon 22nd Jan., General—Chinese.
CAPE CORBIEN, British str., 1,660, James Isbister, 1st Feb.—Moji 23rd Jan., Coal—Shewan, Watson & Co.
CASTOR, Norwegian str., 774, Højedahl, 29th Jan.—Singapore 24th Jan., Kerosene—Butterfield & Swire.
CHIHIL, British str., 1,142, G. Hooker, 29th Jan.—Nagasaki 11th Jan., and Kobe 17th Jan., Coal—Butterfield & Swire.
CHINKING, British str., 1,229, Robertson, 28th Jan.—Wuhu 18th Jan., and Chinkiang 24th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHONGKONG, British str., 1,424, Selby, 21st Jan.—Shanghai via Swatow 16th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, British str., 147, Watson, 21st Jan.—Pulo Canton via Tientsin 19th Jan., J. W. Jamieson.
CLARA JENSEN, German steamer, 1,103, Jacob Bendixen, 23rd Jan.—Chinkiang 18th Jan., General—Jensen & Co.

DAIJI MARU, Japanese str., 857, G. Tagami

31st Jan.—Tientsin, Amoy and Swatow

30th Jan., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

DENNISON, British str., 2,480, W. A. Evans, 31st Jan.—London 9th Jan., General—Shewan, Watson & Co.

DR. H. J. KIER, Norwegian str., 691, H. E. Larsen, 19th Dec.—Hollo 14th Dec., Sugar—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

ELISABETH RICKMERS, German steamer, 907, 25th Jan.—Bangkok 18th Jan., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

EMMA LUTKEN, German str., 1,160, O. Schenfeld, 26th Dec.—Hongkong 14th Dec., Coal—Order.

EMPRESS OF INDIA, British str., 3,032, E. Beetham, 17th Jan.—Vancouver and Shanghai 5th Jan., Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.

FERNANDEZ HERMANOS, American str., 400, Onandia, 4th Jan.—Manila 1st Jan., Sugar—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

FRITHJOF, Norwegian str., 891, H. A. Haraldsen, 13th Jan.—Amoy and Amoy 12th Jan., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

GERMANIA, German str., 900, J. Petersen, 27th Jan.—Chinkiang 26th Jan., General—Jensen & Co.

GREGORY ATCAR, British str., 2,961, J. G. Offert, 28th Jan.—Calcutta via Straits 12th Jan., General—D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd.

HANGSANG, British str., 1,356, Wilde, 30th Jan.—Shanghai 20th Jan. and Swatow 30th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HARLENE MENZEL, German str., 904, Aner, 31st Jan.—Moji 26th Jan., Coal—East Asiatic Trading Co.

HONGKONG MARU, Japanese str., 3,447, E. Bent, 31st Jan.—Yokohama 13th Jan., General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

HOPKING, British str., 1,359, J. M. Hay, 18th Jan.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 14th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HSIN CHANG, Chinese str., 1,284, P. Klepper, 26th Jan.—Shanghai 22nd Jan., General—Chinese.

HYDRA, British str., 2,615, J. B. Kent, 18th Jan.—Moji 10th Jan., Coal—Bradley & Co.

ICHANG, British str., 1,228, Lloyd Jones, 22nd Jan.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 17th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

ITAKA, German str., 1,451, H. Eckhorn, 27th Jan.—Chinkiang 24th Jan., General—Siemens & Co.

KAIPO, British str., 982, Finlayson, 31st Jan.—Hollo 26th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

KATAMARU, British str., 3,070, W. H. Co., 26th Jan.—Chingwan and Chefoo 21st Jan.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

KENNEDY, British str., 2,247, Robt. Dowse, 21st Jan.—Salina Cruz 13th Dec., Ballast—Dodwell & Co.

KNYSBERG, German str., 646, H. Jannicke, 13th Jan.—Shanghai 9th Jan., General—Siemens & Co.

KOON SHING, British str., 1,333, R. Y. Anderson, 24th Jan.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 20th Jan., Rice, Nuts and Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KOREA, American str., 5,051, W. B. Seabury, 30th Jan.—San Francisco 30th Dec. and Shanghai 27th Jan., Mails and General—P. M. S. S. Co.

KWANGSI, British str., 1,229, Stott, 22nd Jan.—Wuhu 17th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

KWANGSI, Chinese str., 1,562, Wm. H. Lunt, 20th Jan.—Shanghai 17th Jan., General—Chinese.

LOONGMOON, German str., 1,245, Kalkofen, 28th Jan.—Chinkiang 24th Jan., General—Siemens & Co.

MACHEW, German str., 986, H. Harjes, 27th Jan.—Bangkok 20th Jan., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

MADAGASCAR RICKMERS, German str., 1,656, S. Siemssen, 31st Jan.—Bangkok 23rd Jan., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

MICHAEL JENSEN, German str., 951, H. Bendixen, 29th Nov.—Chefoo 23rd Nov., Vermicelli—Jensen & Co.

M. STROVE, German str., 900, Bremer, 22nd Jan.—Foochow 17th Jan., General—Siemens & Co.

NANSHAN, British str., 1,290, Allen Jones, 27th Jan.—Saigon 22nd Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

OSCAR II., Norwegian str., 2,909, R. Wilhelm, 27th Jan.—Moji 20th Jan., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

PAKHIO, British str., 1,229, K. E. Tushin, 22nd Jan.—Wuhu 17th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

PETCHARUR, German str., 1,400, G. Hillmann, 27th Jan.—Bangkok 18th Jan., Rice and Meal—Melchers & Co.

PRONTO, Norwegian str., 880, Holten, 5th Jan.—Hainan and Hainan 3rd Jan., General—A. R. Martz.

QUARTA, German str., 1,825, Madson, 13th Jan.—Wakamatsu 6th Jan., Coal—Sander, Wier & Co.

QUINTA, German str., 978, J. Frahm, 25th Jan.—Chinkiang 20th Jan., Rice and Groundnuts—Siemens & Co.

RUBI, British str., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 20th Jan.—Manila 27th Jan., General—Shewan, Watson & Co.

SHANJIAH, British str., 1,005, Jas. R. Scott, 26th Jan.—Saigon 21st Jan., General—Order.

SIELESTAD, Norwegian str., 1,776, Th. Nielsen, 30th Jan.—Kobe via Moji 22nd Jan., General—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

SUISANG, British str., 1,776, T. A. Mitchell, 31st Jan.—Calcutta 16th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SVENSK, German str., 1,346, Degener, 25th Jan.—Nagasaki 16th Jan.—Jensen & Co.

TAIWAN, British str., 1,459, L. Dawson, 29th Jan.—Yokohama 19th Jan. and Kobe 23rd Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

THIOLMA, Norwegian str., 1,896, P. Jøger, 8th Jan.—Java 24th Dec., Sugar—Sander, Wier & Co.

THYRA, Norwegian str., 2,419, M. Berger, 30th Jan.—Kinchington 24th Jan., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TILATAP, Dutch str., 2,475, H. Koops, 1st Feb.—Macassar via Swatow 21st Jan., General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TUPANAS, Dutch str., 2,414, G. Zwart, 31st Jan.—Kobe 18th Jan. and Amoy 29th Jan., General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TRIGONIA, Dutch str., 1,070, T. Powell, 26th Jan.—P. Sivas (Sumatra) 15th Jan.; Kerosene—Meyer & Co.

VICTORIA, British str., 939, J. A. Hallibey, 25th Jan.—Moji 16th Jan., Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

WINGSANG, British str., 1,527, W. Stalker, 18th Jan.—Wuhu 14th Jan., Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

WONG KOT, German str., 1,117, W. Reher, 19th Jan.—Bangkok 11th Jan., Rice and Fish—Jensen & Co.

YONGWU, British str., 1,306, J. Brown, 21st Jan.—Shanghai 17th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

YUENSANG, British str., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 29th Jan.—Manila 26th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YUNNAN, British str., 1,229, Benson, 22nd Jan.—Chinkiang 17th Jan., Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.

VINCENT, British str., 1,776, J. Cox, 28th Jan.—Philadelphia 7th July, Petroleum—Standard Oil Co.

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